Mountain Weather Forecast

Snowdonia National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Monday 03 May 2021 until 23:59 on Tuesday 04 May 2021

Forecast Issued on Monday 03 May 2021 at 01:45

Confidence: High confidence for unsettled weather on Monday and the timings.

Headline for Monday 03 May 2021: Heavy rain with strong winds eventually clearing to blustery showers.

Mountain weather hazards on Monday 03 May 2021

Blizzards Low Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** Low Likelihood
Gales High Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Medium Likelihood	**Poor visibility** High Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** High Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Sleet	Sleet	Sleet	Heavy Rain	Sleet	Sleet
Precipitation probability					
30%	80%	>95%	>95%	20%	40%

Forecast for Monday 03 May 2021

Weather: Heavy and persistent rain in the morning with gales, these severe across highest tops such as Yr Wyddfa/Snowdon, and especially high level ridges. Heavy rain could also turn to snow at times across highest points, bringing some very poor conditions. The heavy rain will last into the afternoon, eventually clearing to blustery showers during the evening, however it will stay windy.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Near zero through the heavy rain during the morning. Improving to 80% late afternoon, but falling to 40% again by midnight.

Visibility: Moderate to poor during heavy rain through the morning, with summits above 600m obscured by cloud. Chance of near zero at times, as heavy bursts turn to snow on highest points. This improving late afternoon, with some good views likely, especially as cloud lifts and breaks, with only patches on the tops above 800m. Visibility falling again as areas of cloud return to hills above 600m by midnight, mainly during heavy and blustery showers.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	28/34 SW	42/55 SW	52/69 S	53/71 SW	38/50 SW	43/58 SW	37/51 W
600	19/24 SW	31/43 S	41/58 S	39/56 SW	27/39 SW	31/45 SW	28/41 W
300	11/20 SW	21/39 S	28/51 S	25/48 SW	17/33 SW	22/41 SW	21/38 W
Valley	11/20 SW	20/36 S	28/51 S	24/47 SW	17/32 SW	21/39 SW	22/40 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	1/-6	1/-8	1/-8	4/-4	3/-5	2/-6	2/-7
600	4/-2	3/-4	3/-4	6/-1	5/-0	4/-3	3/-3
300	6/3	5/0	6/-0	8/3	8/4	6/1	5/0
Valley	8/4	7/2	7/2	9/5	9/6	8/3	6/2
Freezing Level*	1000m	1000m	1100m	1700m	1100m	1200m	1100m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

A very poor bank holiday on the hills, with wet and windy conditions, especially through the morning. Across high level ridges, such as Crib Goch, gusts are likely to exceed 70mph at times, leading to a risk of being blown over. Despite conditions improving from mid-afternoon, it will remain windy, with further blustery showers following.

Forecast for Tuesday 04 May 2021

Weather: A windy morning, with frequent showers, likely merging into longer spells of rain across northern hills. The freezing level will also gradually fall, with an increasing risk of snow above 800m, and leading to a significant wind chill. Whilst winds will gradually ease through the day, blustery showers are likely throughout. Chance of hail.

Maximum wind: Northwesterly 30mph gust 45-55 mph, gradually easing to NW 15-20mph gusting 25-30mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 30% in the north, 70% in the south.

Visibility: Generally excellent away from showers. Becoming poor, with only limited views during the showers. Cloud likely obscuring views from the tops above 500m, especially in any longer spells of rain across northern hills.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 1 Celsius, becoming Plus 9 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 1 Celsius
Freezing level: Just above summits at first, but falling to 900m

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